

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

A safety connector that is used on a tether, such as that of a tethered toy. The safety connector has two halves that can be selectively interconnected. The two halves are attached to separate sections of a tether. Once interconnected, the two halves of the safety connector remain attached until one of two circumstances occurs. In the first circumstance, the two halves of the safety connector will separate when a tension force is experienced in the tether that approaches the tensile strength of the tether. In the second circumstance, the two halves of the safety connector will separate when a minimal bending force is applied to the safety connector. Such a bending force occurs in the safety connector if the tether wraps around an object.